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Note verbale dated 13 September 2013 from the Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to the United Nations presents its compliments to the office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and has the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 1 September 2013, addressed to H.E. Ban Ki-moon from H.E. Hoshyar Zebari, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq (see annex), regarding the appointment of Nickolay Mladenov as the new Special Representative for Iraq and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq.

It would be highly appreciated if the present note verbale and its annex were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the note verbale dated 13 September 2013 from the Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

[Original: Arabic]

I refer to the announcement of 2 August 2013 that Mr. Nickolay Mladenov has been appointed as your Special Representative for Iraq and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq, replacing Mr. Martin Kobler. I have the honour to inform you that the Republic of Iraq welcomes the appointment of Mr. Mladenov and wishes him success in his new post. We look forward to continuing to cooperate with the incoming Special Representative.

I also wish to commend the intensive efforts of Mr. Kobler in assisting the Government and People of Iraq during his time as Head of the Mission. I wish him continued success leading the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Allow me to take the opportunity to express my appreciation for your continued efforts to support and assist Iraq.

(*Signed*) Hoshyar **Zebari**
Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq